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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Secretary of State
The Secretary of Defense
The Secretary of the Treasury
The Secretary of Energy
The Director of Central Intelligence
The Director, Office of Management and Budget
Administrator, Federal Energy Administration
Chairman, Council of Economic Advisors

SUBJECT: Petroleum Supply Vulnerability Assessment

The President has directed that an assessment be made of the vulnerability of the United States to disruptions in world petroleum supply. This memorandum confirms the interagency effort underway to accomplish this task and establishes the terms of reference for the assessment.

The assessment should be focused on the period between now and 1985.

The assessment will be submitted for consideration by the Special Coordination Committee. In accordance with the attached terms of reference (Tab A), the Departments of State and Defense will chair working groups composed of members from the interested agencies. The Department of State will submit its report to the National Security Council by September 2, 1977; the Department of Defense by September 9, 1977.



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